

Vocabulary Warm-up Word Lists

Study these words from the selections. Then, complete the activities.

Word List A

abodes [uh BOHDZ] *n.* houses; dwellings

The castle amazed those who lived in simple abodes.

advantageous [ad van TAY juhs] *adj.* favorable; good

It is advantageous to students to read that book.

circuit [SER kuht] *n.* way or journey around

The moon makes a circuit of the earth twelve times a year.

demonstration [de mun STRAY shuhn] *n.* show of feeling

His tears were a demonstration of terrible sadness.

obstacles [AHB stuh kuhls] *n.* things that get in the way

Too many obstacles stopped me from reaching my goal.

provisions [pruh VI zhuhnz] *n.* food and supplies

We brought enough provisions for a week of camping.

reception [ri SEP shuhn] *n.* the act of being received or met

The people gave his plan for taxes an angry reception.

starvation [stahr VAY shuhn] *n.* extreme hunger

Crop failure caused the country to face starvation.

Word List B

entreated [en TREE tuhd] *v.* begged; pleaded

The audience entreated her to sing one more song.

hereafter [heer AF ter] *adv.* from now on; in the future

Hereafter, we promised to be more careful.

liveliest [LYV lee uhst] *adj.* most active or full of life

The liveliest animals were jumping and running around.

mere [MEER] *adj.* only; nothing other than

The mere thought of having to climb frightened him.

procure [pro KYOOR] *v.* get; bring about; make happen

The lawyer tried to procure a verdict of not guilty.

subsisted [sub SIS tuhd] *v.* stayed alive; survived

She subsisted for weeks on water and fruits.

successive [suk SES iv] *adj.* following one after another

Our team played long games on successive nights.

traversed [truh VERST] *v.* crossed; moved over

The caravan traversed hundreds of miles of desert.